

# The Pipeline

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## Round the Resort...by Al Robinson

Harvest is underway, although being somewhat hampered by the excess rain. Not only is it keeping the crops damp, but now it is producing a ground saturation problem. Even when we do get enough sun and wind to dry swathed and standing grain, the fields will be still quite wet. In some cases it will be impossible to get equipment on the land at all until we have a longer space of no rainfall. In a rural community like ours, that is a serious concern.

Life at the village itself is very active, particularly in the cottage construction arena. The Boychuks keep making headway on their home. A lot of work for just two people. The log home up on Eagle Ridge is all closed in and looks great. Gilbert and Linda Spanier have been working at clearing their lot, getting building permits and all the other preparatory work that has to happen. They will be permanent village residents very soon. Apparently the lot beside them has also been sold to people who plan to make this village their home in the near future.

Kent & Susan Nickel of Nipawin have purchased the Lawrence Ubben cottage at 510 Pine Drive. Welcome to our Village!

Dale and Shawnah Pihowich have placed their move-in home on the lower story they had prepared over the past month or so. It was quite a spectacle seeing that large building going up onto the 10-12 foot lower story last week.

Bryan Baraniski has not started construction on his motel/lounge yet but apparently he is at the final blueprint stage now so construction could begin at any time.

It is nice to see all of these developments. Quite satisfying to see so many people choose the Village of Tobin Lake as the place they want to live, whether it is in retirement or to work from. This activity also provides an expanding tax base which is quite significant to the people whose taxes are providing that critical resource now.

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### Looking Back...by Ken & Joy Hanson

In the fall of 1988 we were looking for a lake to take our two sons fishing. One of our co-workers in Coronach told us the best place to go fishing is Tobin Lake. We stayed at the Tobin Lake campground in our truck camper. We fished the river. It was cold and raining. We didn't catch many fish but people all around us were and since there was no slot size, people were hauling fish out in 5-gallon pails. We had never seen so many large Walleye before nor heard of fishing with bottom bouncers. Even though we never hooked many fish that weekend, we got hooked on Tobin Lake.

The next spring there was an ad in the Leader Post for a cabin at Tobin Lake. We drove the 6.5 hours and instantly fell in love with the place. We put a bid in and ended up getting the cabin. It's been the best decision we have made in our lives. We work shift work at the power plant in Coronach, but our days off are spent at the lake. We were wondering if our children felt they missed out by not going on summer vacations to other places but when asked the reply was, "Are you kidding? We had the lake to go to."

Tobin has even become closer to us in the last few years since we have met so many wonderful and dear friends here.

We look forward to the day when we are able to retire at Tobin Lake.

### What's Cooking...by Glenda Bueckert

Since a lot of us have outdoor cookers now, I thought I would share the Spudnuts recipe we made and fried up in our back yard recently. I did find out that doughnut cutters are at a premium out here so make sure you have one before you start. Do as I did, be creative!

#### Spudnuts:

Soak 1 pkg. dry granular yeast in 1/2 half cup warm water with 1 tsp. sugar for 10 min. To 2 cups of milk, scalded and cooled to lukewarm, add 1 cup mashed potatoes, 1/2 cup soft butter or margarine, 3 well beaten eggs, 3/4 tsp. salt, 1/2 cup sugar. Add the risen yeast and enough flour to make a soft dough, approximately 6 1/2 or 7 cups. Let rise until double in bulk - punch down then roll out on well floured surface, cut and let rise approximately 1/2 hour. Fry at 390 degrees F. Use at least 3 inches of fat. Dip in granulated sugar.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to Ted and Eileen Forsythe for their generous donation toward the purchase of a De-fibrillator to have in our village. Pretty amazing for a couple who come here only once a year for a month.



### **Recreation Board Report...by Valerie Best**

Good news! Total profit from the Celebrate Canada and Saskatchewan's Centennial activities of July 1 was \$1,760.79. This money will go a long way toward special projects, including the community hall expansion. Thank you again to all who made this possible.

Speaking of the expansion, have you noticed the slab and sidewalk pour? Framing is also underway. We are very, very appreciative of those who have already given of their time to make this happen. There was a good spirit of camaraderie and lots accomplished on work bees thus far. Al Robinson is co-ordinating volunteer efforts. Why not surprise him with a call to volunteer time toward this project—he won't mind hearing from you at all!!

### **Community Pot Luck Supper to be held September 3, 2005**

**Doors open at 5:00 pm**

**Supper at 6:00 pm**



Please bring a dish for 4 to 6 people, as well as your own plates and cutlery. We are going to use this occasion to draw for the winner of the Centennial Quilt. Those with remaining tickets to sell, please ensure that the monies and tickets are handed in to Barb Boschman (862-4909) or Pat Hankewich (862-2373) by August 27th 2005.

Four old friends met one Saturday morning for a game of golf. "These hills are getting steeper as the years go by," one complained. "These fairways seem to be getting longer, too," wheezed the second. "And somehow the sand traps seem to be bigger than I remember them," said the third.

Having listened to his friends' complaints, the oldest of the four responded quietly and wisely: "Oh, my friends, just be thankful we're still on THIS side of the grass!"



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### **Fishing Report...by Darren Opp**

Another 2 weeks have slipped away and the fishing and weather have changed a whole lot. The weather has been either really good or really bad with the odd day of something in between. Water surface temperatures between 64-68F, and with the high water levels being maintained, the floating logs on the Big Lake are out in full force. (A high speed run through Elk Island is not advised!).

The Pike fishing has been about average, again the trolling of lures has produced a little better numbers, with casting and running ciscoes mainly producing a little better size. The Ditches have really produced excellent numbers a few days, but all of the small size for Pike. Elk Island and the East Banks have been by far the most popular spots, with one day counting 21 boats in these two areas. Obviously fishing is pretty good to get that many boats bouncing around on the Big Lake on the same day. The North Shore from the end of Highway 35 up almost to the dam is an overfished Pike area for most anglers. The shallow water and weeds and stumps, etc. deter a lot of people. Take a day to learn some of the structure and try - you won't be disappointed.

Walleye fishing has been okay. The river has produced some numbers on the lake some good size, but the last couple of weeks have been for the most part just okay. Look for the Walleye to really start to bite as our water cools off.

Some days when everyone wants to buy the magic lure and try something out of the ordinary - it's just a slow day fishing and you may not be able to change that.

Any day that you are fishing is a good fishing day - it's just that on some days, the catching part sucks!!

*Darren says: Fisherman without camera will surely be labeled a storyteller.*

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### Food For Thought...by Marv Quiring

I want to tell you about two people I met: one on TV; the other in person.

It was a wet, cold day in late spring. Out of boredom, I turned on the TV and was immediately captivated. Oprah was interviewing a badly disfigured woman I'll call Sally. Sally had been living with her boyfriend and her mother. Over time, he became increasingly more controlling and abusive. She was afraid to leave him for fear of what he might do. One day he came home from work in a fit of jealous rage, certain that there was another man hiding in the apartment. Although he could not find the non-existent man, he shot Sally's mother in the stomach, turned the gun on Sally and shot her in the face. The gun shot took away her chin, mouth, nose, one eye and half of her forehead. Her mother was able to run for help before she died. The emergency room nurse and a hospital worker took one look at Sally and was sure she was dead. Sally grabbed at his leg to get his attention. When Sally appeared on TV, she had already endured 20 reconstructive surgeries and was still severely disfigured. However, what really got my attention was Sally's spirit and attitude. She did not live in fear or bitterness despite losing her mother and life as she once knew it. Once a very attractive woman, she had not appeared in public for two years because of the shock it was for people to see her. And yet, she continued to develop a more attractive attitude. She had been a victim of a brutal act, but was no longer an abuse victim but an overcomer.

The second person I want to tell you about is "Larry", a man in his early seventies. In early October, 1981, Larry's wife came to my office seeking help for her husband. She was a lady in her late sixties, youthful appearance, articulate, and insightful. She and Larry had lived on a farm, had a good marriage, wonderful children, and were active participants in the life of their community. Larry, however, had a propensity to focus on the negative things of life, especially injustices he felt others had perpetrated upon him in business dealings. Following retirement, he focussed more and more on those "injustices" to the point where they consumed him. He withdrew from people and became deeply depressed. His wife stated that he communicated with no one and also refused to eat. I saw Larry that afternoon and was shocked by what I saw, a frail "old man" just staring into space in a catatonic state. Larry had had all of the best medical tests and treatment. He was not physically ill. Bitterness had simply consumed him. I took his cold, thin hand into mine and sought to reach him. I only got one faint response from him, but assured him I would be back on Monday morning to see him again. As I was leaving my office that Monday, Larry's wife called to tell me that he had just passed away.

One person chose not to allow the tragedy that befell her to victimize her. She chose forgiveness and hope and was thereby able to remain positive. The other became a victim of his own thoughts, and chose to allow unforgiveness and bitterness to take control of him.

"We achieve inner health only through forgiveness—the forgiveness not only of others but also ourselves"  
(Joshua Loth Leibman).

*Politeness is like an air cushion – there  
may be nothing in it, but it helps ease the  
jolt.*



## Bits & Pieces

### Village Facilities Passes:

These passes are available at Hilltop Campground, Silvertip Store, Tobin Lakeside Diner and at the village office. The price is the same as last year: \$25 for a yearly pass; \$15 for a weekly pass; and \$5 for a daily pass. These passes must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle for anyone to utilize the filleting plant or the boat docking facilities. It is the responsibilities of the village businesses to ensure their guests comply.

**Tobin Lake Community Hall:** Rent for weddings, reunions, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. (4 hours or less \$50; full day \$100). Call 862-2895.

**Village Telephone Directory:** This is being updated and downsized. This will be available for the 2006 season.

**Village Pipeline:** Mail boxes are still for sale @ \$15. Call Glenda @ 862-2833.

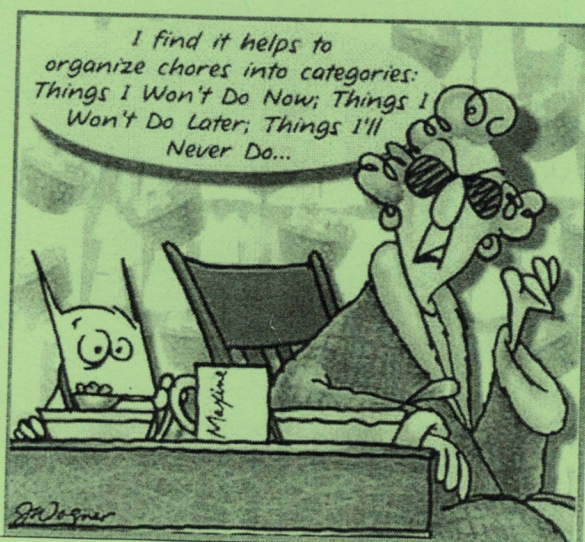
## NOTICE

The CPR class scheduled for October 1, 2005 is **FULL!** Twenty-four (24) Tobin Lake residents have registered for the 9am - 1pm session to be held in the community hall. This community's enthusiasm is amazing! Bring a towel, mat or bedroll and dress comfortably. CPR books will be dropped off to participants prior to training day.

Now the **REAL FUN** begins!! Volunteers are needed to assist with raising the necessary funds to purchase the De-fibrillator. The cost will be around \$3100.00 (less than we were originally quoted) but, nevertheless, this is a substantial amount. This is a short-term project and if you can give us a few hours - or better yet - a **personal donation** - please call:

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## **Bird's Eye View...by Pat & Barry Hankewich**

### ***Pelicans:***

Early this year, I was in conversation with an individual where to fish, and I mentioned the island on the north shore of Tobin Lake where the pelicans nest. The individual was quick to comment that there were no pelicans on Tobin Lake. This stance was maintained even though a pair of pelicans was noted gliding by moments later!

I am happy to report that we do have pelicans on Tobin Lake and we do have a rookery on the north shore! When Sask Power was releasing water due to flooding upstream, we witnessed hundreds of pelicans feeding at and below the spillway of E.B. Campbell Dam. Others and we have never witnessed such great numbers on the lake.

Wingspan can grow to nine and a half feet, fly in straight lines, or single V with military precision. Fish are scooped up either individually or communally by "herding". Known to eat fish of little or no commercial value. These birds do not dive!

So the next time you witness a long line of pelicans gliding just above the water, enjoy the grace and serenity of a great and quiet bird!

## **What's In A Name (The Story Behind Saskatchewan Place Names):**

**CRYSTAL SPRINGS:** Surveyors working in this area between 1882 and 1895 camped beside a small lake and found the water clear and free of alkali. The company, apparently French, named it Lake Bon Eau. Early settlers in the district called their first community Bon Eau. Later, when English settlers moved in, they changed the name to Crystal Springs.

When the CPR came through in 1930, Crystal Springs was the name selected for the village site. Crystal Springs is between Waitville and Tway on a CPR line that runs north from Humboldt to Prince Albert.

**CUDWORTH:** In 1911 the Grand Trunk Pacific constructed a new line south of Prince Albert to Watrous. Fifty-seven miles out of Prince Albert the town of Cudworth was born. The name of the town perpetuates the memory of Ralph Cudworth (1617-1688), a distinguished philosopher who was a strong opponent of the atheistic tendencies of the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

A pastor, known for his lengthy sermons, noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his message. The man returned just before the conclusion of the service. Afterwards the pastor asked the man where he had gone. "I went to get a haircut," was the reply. "But," said the pastor, "why didn't you do that before the service"? "Because," the gentleman said, "I didn't need one then."